



Caltrans Commuter Alert

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Demolition Continues on the Interstate 5 Alondra Blvd. Bridge

Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) FULL FREEWAY, LANE, RAMP and CONNECTOR CLOSURES

Santa Fe Springs – Caltrans will continue demolition work tonight Friday, June 28, from 10 p.m. through Saturday morning at 8 a.m. on the Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) Alondra Boulevard Bridge. A second work shift takes place on Saturday night, June 29 through Sunday morning at the same time. Full freeway closures - in one direction only - between Carmenita Road and Valley View Avenue will be in effect during the demolition work.

This weekend's schedule (and the next 3 weekends) of freeway lanes, ramps and connector closures is as follows:

Friday, June 28 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

and Saturday, June 29 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Northbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure: 11:59 a.m. to 7 a.m. - between Valley View Ave. and Carmenita Rd.

All northbound I-5 motorists must exit at the Valley View Ave. off-ramp.

- 10 p.m. - northbound I-5 lanes begin to close. One lane will close at hourly intervals between Valley View Ave and Carmenita Rd. By midnight, the full freeway closure will be in place.
- The work involves the demolition of the western half of the structure.

Northbound I-5 Ramps Closed: 11 p.m.-8 a.m. - on-ramps at Artesia Blvd, Valley View Ave and Carmenita Rd.

- Note: the northbound I-5 on-ramp at Alondra Blvd is temporarily CLOSED.

Southbound I-5 Lanes Closed: 2 a.m. to 5 a.m. - Two lanes will be closed from Carmenita Rd to Valley View for the safety of crews and motorists during demolition work.

Westbound SR-91/Northbound I-5 Full Connector Closure:

- 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. - Westbound Artesia Freeway (State Route 91) connector to northbound I-5.
- Detour: Motorists will be detoured to use westbound SR-91 to northbound I-605 to northbound I-5.

Friday, July 5 and Saturday, July 6 - No construction work during the 4th of July holiday weekend.

Friday, July 12 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

and Saturday, July 13 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Southbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure: 11:59 a.m. to 7 a.m. - between Carmenita Road and Valley View Avenue.

All southbound I-5 motorists must exit at the Carmenita Road off-ramp.

- 10 p.m. - southbound I-5 lanes begin to close. One lane will close at hourly intervals between Carmenita Rd and Valley View Ave. By midnight, the full freeway closure will be in place.
- The work involves the demolition of the eastern half of the structure.

Southbound I-5 Ramps Closed: 11 p.m. to 8 a.m.- on-ramps at Rosecrans Ave and Carmenita Rd.

Northbound I-5 Lanes Closed: 2 a.m. - 5 a.m. Two lanes on northbound I-5 between Carmenita Rd and Valley View Ave will be closed for the safety of crews and motorists during demolition work.

Southbound I-605/Southbound I-5 Connector Fully Closed:

- 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.-Southbound I-605 connector to southbound I-5.

Detour: Motorists will be detoured to use southbound I-605 to eastbound SR-91 to southbound I-5.

Up to two more weekends of demolition work is scheduled, if necessary, (weather permitting), as follows:

Friday, July 19 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. - Northbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure (same as June 28 and 29)

and Saturday, July 20 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Friday, July 26 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. - Southbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure (same as July 12 and 13)

and Saturday, July 27 - 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

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Local commuters in the cities of Santa Fe Springs, Norwalk and La Mirada are encouraged to use the marked detours on Artesia Boulevard, Valley View Avenue and Carmenita Road. Please consider the detour in your commute and allow extra time to arrive at your destination.

On June 10, 2013, Caltrans fully closed the Alondra Boulevard Bridge, a segment of Alondra Boulevard between Freeway Drive and Marquardt Avenue, and the northbound I-5 on-ramp at Alondra Boulevard. Alondra Boulevard (between Freeway Dr. and Marquardt Ave.) will remain closed until mid-to-late 2014 for bridge reconstruction, retaining wall construction and roadway improvements on Alondra Boulevard.

The motoring public, residents and businesses are encouraged to sign-up for regular notification on street, lane and ramp closures by calling the toll-free **I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects** Hotline (855) 454-6335 or visiting www.I-5info.com Caltrans lane closure information can be accessed at www.lcswebreports.dot.ca.gov

The work is part of the \$110 million Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) HOV Widening and Alondra Boulevard Bridge Project to construct one carpool and one general purpose lane in each direction, from North Fork Coyote Creek Bridge to Marquardt Avenue, reconstruct overcrossings at Alondra Boulevard and North Fork Coyote Creek, and realign and upgrade adjacent frontage roads. The 57-year-old Alondra Blvd. Bridge will be widened from a four-lane to a six-lane bridge, with three lanes in each direction, and will also be longer to accommodate a wider I-5 freeway. The project is expected to complete in mid-2015. The contractor for the Alondra Blvd. Project is C.C. Myers, Inc. of Anaheim, Ca.

The I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects are overseen by Caltrans District 7 and project funding is administered by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro).

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